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SPECIAL MEETING August 1, 1979 8:30 a.m.

Present: V-Chrmn. Norbert Hill, Secretary Patricia Misikin, Members: Edwin King,

Mark Powless, Loretta Metoxen and Margaret Doxtater Excused: Chrmn. Purcell Powless and Myron Smith

Also present: Ernie Stevens, Sr., Jerry Fischer, Sonny King, Francis Skenandore,

Harriet Reiter and Barbara Skenandore

Meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by the Vice-Chairman in the absence of the Chairman. Roll call was taken. Quorum present.

Sonny King asked for clarification of who is responsible for the Archiquette Building. A plan is currently being devised in response to that inquiry. Sonny asked to be advised when the subject will be up for discussion at a special meeting.

Next item of business concerned the draft of the Tobacco Ordinance as written by Francis. Tribal Secretary read the draft ordinance and the letter attached from J. K. Leidiger, Director of the Excise Tax Bureau, State Department of Revenue. Question and answer session ensued regarding points outlined in the ordinance. Subject of trust land was discussed and it was indicated that we should be involved in any ruling the State may develop relative to issuing licenses. Ideally, we would want the State ruling to work with our ordinance thereby reinforcing whatever restrictions we mandate.

Business Committee was polled for their opinion on whether or not we would want to have exclusive rights to sale of cigarettes for Tribal profit. Poll showed that all members were in agreement with the idea of exclusive sales. Further discussion ensued on the ratio of profit we would establish.

Next question revolved around whether we would issue licenses to established businesses in the area. Concurrence of those present indicated agreement but with certain restrictions placed in terms relative to sales volume, pricing and profit margins, and stating that we reserve the right to review the licenses each year.

Loretta suggested that we strike the words "on trust land" from Section 2 - Definitions item H. Loretta moved that the Tribal Attorney be directed to discuss the point of Tribal licensing with the Attorney General and that he encourage the State rules to comply with the local Tribal Ordinance. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Francis will redraft the ordinance and present it for Business Committee approval.

Ernie stated for the record that he had a discussion with the Attorney General's office about the possibility of having a quarter-horse pari-mutuel track. They asked his opinion about having one and who would operate it and Ernie indicated that the Tribe would operate it but that the venture is some time in the future.



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Ernie presented a report of Oneida Tobacco Enterprises operations. The report included the following requests for Business Committee approval: (1) To continue on the flow-back system for increasing inventory; (2) a a method of constructing and financing a tobacco warehouse; (3) re-evaluation of Ceta positions for 4 cashiers amd stock clerk positions; (4) authorization for the Manager to hire/fire tempory and/or permanent personnel; (5) authorization to acquire a HWY 54 outlet in exchange for physical improvements up to \$1800 and a monthly lease payment up to \$200/mo for 10 months; or (6) authorization to negotiate a permanent lease or sale at a different HWY location in lieu of #5 with proper approval.

Loretta moved to authorize the Manager of the Enterprise, in consultation with the Tribal Attorney, to acquire a HWY 54 Oneida outlet in exchange for physical improvements of not more than \$1800 and a monthly lease payment not to exceed \$200/mo for 10 months. Edwin seconded. Vote was 4 for and 1 opposed. Motion carried.

Edwin moved to authorize the Manager of the Enterprise to negotiate a permanent lease or sale of property on HWY 54 in Oneida either in lieu of the previous motion or at a different location, such action to be reviewed by the Business Committee. Margaret seconded. Vote was 3 for, 1 opposed and 1 abstention. Motion carried.

OTDC Board nominated six people to fill the five-member Board. Ernie requested approval by the Business Committee to have an interim Board until the election can occur. The six nominated were: (1) Barbara Denny, (2) John Danforth, (3) Anna John, (4) Van Roy Thomas, (5) Norris Skenandore and (6) Joe Webster. Edwin moved to appoint the first five named in the order presented. Margaret seconded. Vote was 4 for, 1 abstention. Motion carried.

Mark moved approval of the requests Margaret seconded Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel

Request made to approve the part-time position hiring of Sandra Marten Item tabled to regular meeting on August 6, 1979.

Letter of resignation from Ed Baginski, Tribal Controller, was read by the Secretary. Margaret moved to accept the resignation and to post the position immediately. Edwin seconded. Vote was 4 for and 1 abstention. Motion carried. Mark stated for the record that he abstained because of implications stated in the letter of resignation.

Mark moved to adjourn. Loretta seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12 15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Patricia Misikin, Secretary